



California State Fire Training

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INTERIM SFT PROCEDURES

Procedure Title: Driver/Operator

Effective Date: August 20, 2015

Section Change: **Title: Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator – Pumping Apparatus**

As of December 31, 2016, Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator I certification will be retired and replaced with Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus certification.

Prerequisites:

- OSFM certified Fire Fighter I.
- Possess a valid Class C fire fighter endorsed driver's license.

Educational Requirements

The following courses are required:

- Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator 1A: Driver/Operator (2015)
OR Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator 1A: Emergency Vehicle Operations (2008)
- Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator 1B: Pumping Apparatus Operations (2015)
OR Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator 1B: Pump Operations (2008)

Certification Exam:

None (at this time).

Certification Task Book:

Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus certification task book.

Experience:

Have a minimum of one year full-time or two year's volunteer or part-time paid in a Recognized Fire Agency in California with the primary responsibility as a pumping apparatus driver/operator.

Rank or Position:

Appointed to the rank of Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator or Engineer.

For those departments that do not use these ranks, applicants who have operated fire apparatus as their primary responsibility within a recognized fire agency in California qualify.

Candidate Application:

To apply for a certification task book.

1. Download (from the SFT website), complete and submit:
 - a. The SFT Fee Schedule
 - b. The certification task book application for the job function certification being pursued
2. A complete certification task book application package includes:
 - a. The SFT Fee Schedule
 - b. Nonrefundable payment by check or money order (payable to CAL FIRE – State Fire Training)
 - c. The certification task book application
 - d. All supporting and verification documentation

This Interim Procedure provides guidance and/or interpretation on State Fire Training Procedures and shall be effective for 12 months from the approval date.

3. Submit the complete certification task book application package to:
State Fire Training
Attn: Cashier
PO Box 997446
Sacramento, CA 95899-7446

To apply for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus certification

1. Submit a completed certification task book to State Fire Training and include any additional supporting documents.

New Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus Candidates

Candidates beginning to pursue Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus certification as of December 01, 2015 should utilize the new Driver/Operator curriculum.

Current Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator I Candidates

Candidates pursuing Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator I certification under the existing requirements must complete all requirements; submit their fees, application and all supporting documentation to SFT prior to December 31, 2016.

Equivalency Period

There is equivalency between the retired Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator I courses and the new Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus courses. Candidates may utilize any of the following combinations:

- Driver/Operator 1A (2015) and Driver/Operator 1B (2015)
- Driver/Operator 1A (2008) and Driver/Operator 1B (2015)
- Driver/Operator 1A (2015) and Driver/Operator 1B (2008)
- Driver/Operator 1A (2008) and Driver/Operator 1B (2008)

Justification:

The State Board of Fire Services has approved the Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus curriculum and associated changes in the certification track educational requirements. These changes are directed at meeting the specific Job Performance Requirements for Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus established in NFPA standard 1002.

The current SFT Procedures Manual dated May 2008 only includes the Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator I Curriculum and certification educational requirements. This creates confusion for candidates attempting to obtain Fire Apparatus Driver/Operator - Pumping Apparatus Certification.

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